

# BRITISH FORCES HAVE DRIVEN ACROSS LIBYAN BORDER IN NEW BLITZKRIEG

## EGYPTIAN BATTLE FINDS BRITISH IN LIBYAN BORDERS

### GREEKS LAUNCH NEW OFFENSIVE IN ALBANIA TODAY TOWARD ELBASANI

By The Associated Press  
Britain's desert fighters were reported today to have driven across the frontier into Italian Libya in the 8-day-old battle of Egypt; RAF planes bombed Berlin in "prolonged" attacks, and the Greeks launched a fierce new offensive toward Elbasani, in central Albania.

A British general headquarters communiqué said advance forces of the counter-invasion army were "well across" the Libyan frontier. "The goal of the British drive appeared to be Bardia, 25 miles inside Libya."

Strongly defended positions around Salum, Egyptian port five miles from the frontier, were still held by the Italians, the communiqué acknowledged.

Adolf Hitler's high command listed four killed, 12 wounded in the overnight assault on Berlin, as well as "some" houses damaged, two hospitals hit and a suburban rail line "temporarily disturbed."

Nazi bombers countered with a raid on Sheffield, North England steel center, raining explosives on the city (pop. 500,000), while rescue squads still dug for victims buried alive in the wreckage left by Thursday night's attack.

Large Casualty List Reported  
The British Press Association said a large casualty list in Sheffield was "feared."

A few bombs also fell in London. Seven persons were reported killed, and many others injured on the capital's outskirts and two children were removed dead from the rubble of their homes.

In the Mediterranean conflict, Italian Gen. Henry Maitland Wilson's forces were reported scoring new gains against the hard driven Italians.

Cairo dispatches said bitter fighting raged during the night in the Salum sector, five miles inside Egypt, with fascist troops desperately attempting to make a stand in the rain following yesterday's sandstorm.

A British spokesman said it could be assumed that "some" British forces have already crossed the border into Libya, with RAF warplanes carrying the war ahead of the mechanized columns in bombing attacks on Bardia, key fascist base 20 miles west of Salum, on Italian air bases all along the Libyan coast.

Italy Acknowledges Hard Fight  
Italy officially acknowledged that her troops were fighting bloody hand-to-hand battle in an effort to save Libya from the British counter-invasion.

## Writes War Series



Milo M. Thompson (above), chief of the London bureau of the Associated Press, has written a series of articles in connection with the Nazi bombing attacks on London, the first of which appears in the Daily Sun today.

## TOTAL WAR FACED BY LONDONERS NOT ALL BAD THEY DECIDE

### ENTIRELY DIFFERENT ATTITUDE TOWARD FELLOWMAN CREATED BY BLITZKRIEG

(Editor's Note: A story of what it means to live under the ever-present threat of death in London, written by Milo M. Thompson, chief of the London Bureau of the Associated Press, who has lived here throughout the European War. Here is the first installment. The others will appear in the Daily Sun in eleven daily installments.)

By MILO M. THOMPSON  
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(P)—Total war such as London is experiencing today is not all bad.

Something happens to people who, facing death, have put aside all the normal and petty expectations and ambitions.

Their hope is not to have a better job, house, car or dress on some tomorrow, but to be alive. Most trivial passions disappear when one faces as stark reality the possibility that all possessions, all freedom, even one's country, may no longer be on his own in a few short months.

There is something sublime in British reaction to blitzkrieg. The lady who wouldn't notice a woman of the "lowly class" even through a lorgnette now holds the slave's begonia baby in the shelter.

The limousine of the banker from the city loads up with cockney workmen at a bus stop to speed them home.

The maid sits in the mistress's parlor for her cup of tea at night. The high and the low find they are actually that people whose knees can quake, whose hearts leap to throats, whose kinkfolk are equally precious and whose position is no longer a matter of pride.

Dr. Jenkins started the original battle, for \$200,000, after his church burned last year. His campaign lagged, so with his sports cartooning son, Burris Jenkins, Jr., the nationally known pastor appealed to Fight Promoter Mike Jacobs for help.

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## FATE OF CONQUERED FRANCE DEPENDS ON REACTION OF AXIS

### REPRESENTATIVE OF HITLER REPORTED ON WAY TO VICHY TO TALK TO PETAIN

VICHY, France, Dec. 16.—(P)—German Ambassador Otto Abetz, Adolf Hitler's representative in Paris, arrived here today with his staff.

Abetz and his entourage were given military honors by a French detachment when they crossed the Allier river bridge into Vichy.

Observers expressed belief that his visit was extremely important for future negotiations between Germany and France.

They expected him to inform the French government of Germany's attitude toward the dismissal of Pierre Laval as vice-premier and foreign minister.

Abetz is the first important German official to visit Vichy since the armistice.

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 16.—(P)—The fate of conquered France's Vichy government and possibly even total Nazi occupation of her soil was being decided today to depend on how the axis takes the week end upheaval in the cabinet of Chief of State Philippe Petain.

Reichsfuehrer Hitler's representative in Paris, Otto Abetz, was expected in Vichy today to talk to Petain, according to diplomatic reports reaching Bern.

Beating approval of the ouster of Pierre Laval as vice-premier and foreign minister, observers said, may hinge on what the French chief of state tells Abetz. Sources here said Laval, at first reported under guard in his own home, now was rumored to be a prisoner in Chateau de Pellevoy, along with the republican leaders who face war guilt charges in the impending Riom trials which Laval himself advocated.

Authorized sources in Berlin said that the Laval dismissal came as a surprise and that, until the German government has been fully informed of what it means, the German press will not even report that Laval is out, succeeded by Pierre Laval.

A special reason for Germany's reserve, they said, is that France has made only a truce with Germany.

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## FIRST UNITS TEXAS GUARD DIVISION AT CAMP BOWIE HOME

### CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH MEN WILL LIVE FOR YEAR DESCRIBED AS "NOT BAD"

By DAVE CHEAVENS  
CAMP BOWIE, Brownwood, Texas, Dec. 15.—(P)—Life begins at 5:45 a. m. in a military training center where approximately 2,000 Texans of the Thirty-Sixth Division are already in camp.

Some of the men of the 11th Quartermaster Regiment and of the service troops—the food and supply men of the army—were really started at 6 a. m. when breakfast is ready. And after a day of fighting cold rain and quagmires that plague the camp, the boys are ready to call quits when taps sounds at 9:30.

A lot of them are asleep before the bugler can draw a deep breath.

## ITALIAN OFFICERS KILLED WHEN GREEKS STORMED POSITION

### ITALIANS STILL BEING DRIVEN BACK IN ALBANIA DESPITE RESISTANCE

ATHENS, Dec. 16.—(P)—An Italian general and a colonel were reported killed today when Greeks stormed an important position fighting desperately to hold.

The Italians were said to have fled, leaving many dead, including other senior officers.

This was on the southern front, where the Greeks are driving toward Valona, one of the three remaining Albanian ports in Italian possession.

"In this sector our troops scored another great victory by storming and occupying another height which the Italians defended with a general and a colonel at their head," one report said.

"These two senior officers, with revolvers in hand, induced their men to defend the position. However, both officers were hit in the breast and died."

"Their death was the sign for a wholesale retreat and abandonment of the height. After occupation of the height, our soldiers found the bodies of Italian senior officers."

Smash Through Reserves  
In a fierce new drive from Pogradet toward Elbasani in central Albania, Greek mountaineer regiments were reported to have smashed through massed Italian reserves for large gains.

Dispatches from that battle-front said the offensive which had been held up by storms and zero temperatures was resumed over the week end with greater gains than had been made there all past week.

The Greeks said Italians attempting to counter-attack were "repelled and dispersed in such a way as to lose contact with the bases from which they started."

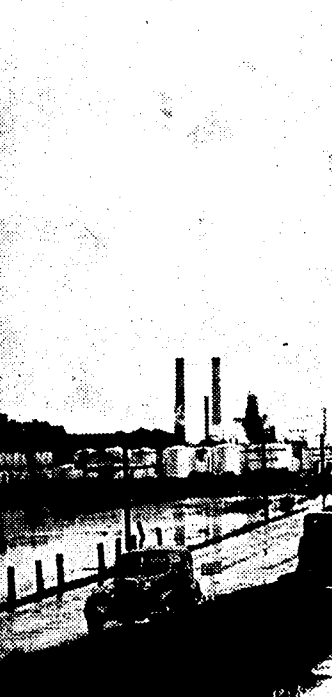
There were indications that the Greek drive beyond Pogradet, along the Albanian-Yugoslav frontier, included an effort to flank the Italians by smashing them back from their border forts and leaving their left wing "in the air."

A dispatch from the front last night said "Greek troops succeeded in making a general advance over a wide area in the mountainous region held by the enemy above Pogradet where the Italians had concentrated their forces."

Fortifications Smashed  
This report said Greek artillery smashed "permanent enemy fortifications along the Yugoslav-Albanian frontier" in a three-day bombardment, clearing the way for "stormy charges by Greek infantry."

An Associated Press correspondent in that region said Greek forces were "making a general advance over a wide area in the mountainous region held by the enemy above Pogradet where the Italians had concentrated their forces."

## OIL FIRE INJURES SCORES, ONE FATALLY



A score of men were burned, one fatally, when two tanks of the Southport Petroleum Company's storage farm at Texas City, Texas, were fired by lightning and the blaze spread to two others. The injured men, working in waist-deep water, were trapped inside a fire wall surrounding one of the tanks when the tank suddenly boiled over.

## FREEZING WEATHER OVER NORTH HALF OF TEXAS MONDAY

### ONE HUNTER LOST BAYOU FLOODS ORANGE, TRINITY STILL ON RAMPAGE

By The Associated Press  
Sub-freezing weather reached as far south as Austin today, and continued cold was forecast for a large part of Texas. Skies generally were clear after several days of sleet, snow or rain.

In West Texas, where the cold has been most severe, slowly rising temperatures were expected tomorrow.

The mercury was due to skid a few degrees below freezing tonight in the south part of east Texas. Temperatures of 34 to 38 were forecast for the lower Rio Grande Valley.

The Sabine river backed up into Orange through the little Cypress bayou, flooding parts of the city. The bayou was 407 feet above mean low tide, the highest in years. The flood had not driven anyone from his home or office, but persons were working in hip boots in establishments along the highway leading to Louisiana.

Flood threats near Houston seemed to have vanished. J. W. Sellers of Houston, hunter who became lost in a driving rain Sunday near Freeport, was the object of an intensive search.

Port Worth had one of the heaviest frosts in recent years. The minimum there was 29 and that at Dallas 28. Tyler reported a frost blanket over a large part of East Texas. Crisp, clear weather was reported from Shreveport.

The low at Amarillo was 16. Bigger said the temperature there was 16.

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## Three Men Killed In Stream Bullets Through Window

### EDINBURG, Dec. 16.—(P)—Three men were killed and a fourth wounded by a stream of bullets fired through an open tavern window last night at Los Ebanos, small settlement near the Sam Fordyce oil field in western Hidalgo county.

The dead were Special Deputy Sheriff Saragoza Flores, about 50; Marcos Ramirez, about 60, and Santana Garza, 27.

Justo Flores, 30, was shot in the knee. Guadalupe Munoz, 58, the fifth man seated at the tavern table, escaped injury.

Sheriff R. T. Daniel said the gunman stood outside the window and pumped at least ten bullets into the group, that many cartridges being found after the shooting.

Saragoza Flores and Ramirez were killed instantly. Garza died at a hospital here.

The tavern is operated by Anselmo Flores, the deputy's son. Daniel theorized the shooting might have been an outgrowth of an old neighborhood feud or that someone might have come into the tavern and argued with the group earlier in the evening.

## SHEFFIELD, STEEL CENTER, BOMBED BY GERMAN WARPLANES

### ROYAL AIRFORCE RAIDERS STRUCK AT BERLIN AREA DURING SUNDAY NIGHT

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(P)—Germany's night raiders bombed Sheffield, English steel center, last night for the second time in less than a week.

Official sources in their first report said only that bombs "fell in the Sheffield area."

## AUDITOR UPHELD IN MANDAMUS SUIT BY DECISION OF COURT

### EVIDENCE AND ARGUMENTS WERE COMPLETED LATE SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Arguments of attorneys and evidence were completed late Saturday before District Judge Wayne Howell in the case of Oil Field Lumber Company vs. E. Y. Cunningham, county auditor, et al, mandamus. The suit seeks to force the county auditor to sign a check of \$1,661.81 to the lumber concern after the commissioners court had passed an order authorizing the payment. The auditor said the account was outside the budget and refused to sign the bill or sign a voucher drawn for the amount.

District Judge Howell Monday morning declined to grant the mandamus against the county auditor with the following statement from the bench:

"After giving all the thought and study to the matter and on opportunity permits, the court is of the opinion that under the facts shown in this case, this court is without power to grant the petition for mandamus, and the request for a writ of mandamus must be relegated to its remedy at law in the suit filed by it now pending in this court on the claim in question."

Devlin Penchouse, represents the lumber company. J. C. Jacobs represents the county auditor. Mays and Mays won their point Saturday as intervening counsel, representing the commissioners individually and as the commissioners court of Navarro County over the objections of Jacobs.

A number of witnesses testified at the Saturday afternoon session of court.

Campbell Testified  
G. H. Campbell, manager of the Richmond branch of the Oil Field Lumber Company, testified he sold to Precinct 3, Navarro County, in July, September, October, and November 1939, and various employees of the precinct signed

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## DESERT FORCES OF BRITAIN REPORTED WELL OVER BORDER

### ITALIANS, HOWEVER, STILL HOLDING ONTO SALUM, EGYPTIAN PORT

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 16.—(P)—Vanguards of Britain's army in the western desert are "well across" the border in Italian Libya, a general headquarters communiqué reported today at the start of the second week of the British drive.

The Italians, however, were admitted to be "still holding strongly" defended positions about Salum, Egyptian port five miles east of the frontier.

After fighting yesterday almost blindly through dust storms, British forces were said to be forging ahead in the Salum, Port Capuzzo, Bardia sector today in rain.

(The Italian high command reported bitter fighting both in Libya and Albania, with heavy casualties inflicted on the British attackers by Italian warplanes.)

Military circles said the British wanted to keep the Italians on the run and the desert rain might cause some delay. The advance is expected to slow down in any case, however, because of mopping-up operations and the extended communications lines.

Italian troops battered almost incessantly by the big guns of British warships ranging along the coast, were said to be fighting desperately in an effort to halt the British drive near the Libyan frontier.

Cross Border  
A British spokesman declared last night that although "it is well impossible to give an accurate figure, it can be assumed that some British forces already have crossed the border."

The British headquarters did not disclose whether the British had determined to reinforce the frontier stand from his large reservoir of Libyan reserves.

The belief was expressed, however, that the Italian commander would make a determined effort to save his important eastern Libyan base at Bardia, less than 20 miles west of Salum.

Salum, military observers said, would be a valuable prize to the British. It would be a port to which the British Mediterranean fleet could ferry troops and supplies, saving the long haul across the desert from Matruh.

These sources said if Salum fell to the British, they probably would consolidate their positions there, to safeguard their flank on the sea, before attempting another major thrust to the west.

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## JOE LOUIS DRAFTED DELIVER KNOCKOUT PUNCH IN FIGHT FOR MODERN KANSAS CITY CHURCH

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 16.—(P)—Joe Louis has been drafted to deliver the knockout punch in an amazing fight for a modernistic church "which should be an architectural lesson to Kansas City."

The brown bomber agreed to defend his heavyweight title in a benefit boxing bout for Dr. Burris Jenkins' new community church, non-denominational.

Louis will have a hard time landing stiffer punches than those already thrown—verbally—by Architect Frank Lloyd Wright and the city building commissioners. Their battle over engineering strains and stresses still has the city reeling.

"I'm going to start with a parking problem and build the church around it," Wright said. The building will be at 40th and Main Streets, a heavily congested district.



6 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
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## REPORT ON TRINITY RIVER PROJECT WILL BE GIVEN PRESIDENT

### FLOOD CONTROL - WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM WOULD BE WORTH MUCH

By L. T. Easley.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Expected to be submitted to President Roosevelt in December for his approval is a comprehensive report by the Soil Conservation Service, a department of the Agriculture Department, for a flood control-water conservation program on the Trinity River of Texas.

Details of the report are undisclosed and will be made public only after the president has approved or rejected its contents, but in general they call for a 15-year program estimated to cost approximately \$32,000,000. About half of the amount would, it is proposed, be paid eventually by the federal government, the remainder largely by the individual farm owners whose property would be enhanced by the work.

Immediately benefits which should accrue to Texas, if the president approves the report, would be the allocation of funds now on hand of the Agriculture Department to initiate the conservation program.

How much that allocation would be, or the amount agriculture department would be recommended in the report, could not be learned. The department received an appropriation of \$4,000,000 by Congress for such work, and it was contemplated to expend the entire amount on five rivers, including the Los Angeles River of California for which \$1,400,000 has been allocated, and the Trinity. Agriculture engineers said they would submit the report in order of the importance and need of work on the rivers. The Trinity is the second to be considered.

**Be Used On Tributaries**  
If and when allocated, the money for the Trinity would be used on one or two tributaries where erosion of the soil and silting of reservoirs has been particularly acute. The work would be in the nature of a demonstration for similar improvements to be carried out later on other sections of the Trinity watershed. Federal funds for any future improvements, however, would have to be appropriated later.

The program of the agriculture officials is necessarily a long-range one because it calls in many instances for a complete change in the method and practices of individual farmers and their choice of crops.

The program includes no gigantic dams and levees, not even for comparatively small lakes and reservoirs. It involves the complete contouring and terracing of land which slopes, of the re-foresting of those tracts where timber has been cleared and which has not proved well adapted to cultivation. It calls for the planting in some instances of those crops which will knit the soil together, and for the rotation of crops to enrich that which has not already washed away.

**Farmer Would Pay.**  
The individual farmer, if able, is expected to pay either in money or labor for about half of the improvements; his property should increase in value as the work proceeds, his losses from erosion decrease.

Correlated with this watershed program of the agriculture department is the flood control program for the Trinity River channel proper under study by the War Department. Actually, the agriculture department soil engineers report is at present with the War Department for final checkup before it goes to the White House.

The War Department flood control report, based on thorough surveys, was expected to be submitted to the board of army engineers here Jan. 15. However, the recent floods possibly may cause district or division engineers to withhold its submission to add data compiled as a result of the November deluge.

While prospects appeared bright for early approval of the Agriculture Department's program, hopes that any early progress would be made toward getting new flood control work underway on the channel of the Trinity—or other Texas rivers, was dimmed by the announcement of the president that at present with the War Department for final checkup before it goes to the White House.

The House flood control committee, on which Representative W. R. Poage of Waco serves, reported favorably several months ago an omnibus flood control measure which included authorization for improvements on the Lower Colorado River by construction of levees; construction of a \$6,000,000 reservoir on the Concho, a tributary of the Colorado, near San Angelo; enlargement of Lake Brownwood reservoir on Pecan Bayou, and construction of a reservoir in Hords Creek above Coleman, \$2,960,000; improvements on Brady Creek near Brady; construction of a dam on the Brazos River thirty-eight miles above Waco to create Whitney reservoir, total cost \$10,150,000.

Because of the establishment of Camp Bowie at Brownwood the project at Lake Brownwood might assume a special national defense status, although there has been no discussion of that so far.

## FIRST TEXAS SODIUM SULPHATE PLANT WAS MERELY EXPERIMENT

### ASSOCIATED PRESS STAFF WRITER TELLS OF DIGGING DITCH THROUGH ROCK

By TONY SLAUGHTER, Associated Press Staff.  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: An Associated Press staff man who recalls his pick and shovel work in the plant's early days writes this story of Southwestern industrial development.)

We worked on a pipeline crew which dug through solid rock with picks and shovels to lay a line four miles from a gas well in Ward County to a small test plant of the Ozark Chemical Company near Royalty.

We slept in a tent on the prairie where howling coyotes serenaded a cold moon. Payday came twice a month. The bank mortgaged was on and we couldn't cash our checks.

It was a contract job and our time grew short as we laid that line to the mystery test plant. None of us knew what chemicals the plant was to experiment with. We knew we had to get that rock out of the ditch with picks. There was no dynamite within fifty miles.

We went back to visit the plant the other day. It's bigger and isn't an experiment nor a mystery any more.

It is Texas' largest sodium sulphate plant out there in the heart of the Permian Basin sixteen miles south of Monahans. More than 400 carloads of salty brine that tastes like epsom salts, have been shipped from the plant's Monahans loading rack this year.

That section of Texas is rich in sodium sulphate and potash. The potash, however, is classed as second grade while the sodium sulphate is the type that produces in the Ward County plant, is grouped as first and second class.

The plant is cradled in the meek and catclaw of southern Ward County on the bank of a once dry salt lake that covered 120 acres. When Ozark built the experiment plant back in the early 30's only an occasional West Texas rain sent water into the basin. Now it's full of salt water pumped into the lake after first grade sodium sulphate has been extracted. The water is obtained from twenty of the company's 200 wells that dot the prairie. After the water has been pumped into the lake, it is again pumped through the plant to extract second grade sodium sulphate.

Experts say the supply is unlimited.

Over half of the brine obtained from the wells comes from the wells into the plant's chiller. The brine is crystallized and the crystals are then crushed into a fine salt grain. They drape sheets over the trucks when hauling to the loading rack at Monahans to keep these strong West Texas winds from sending white dust storms over the Southern Permian Basin to the Trans-Pecos.

From the loading rack at Monahans the sodium sulphate is shipped via rail to plants all over the nation with the majority going to Southern Pine Paper Mills at Monroe, La., for the manufacture of paper.

The chemical is also used in making rayon, glass, paints, soap and many medical products.

The capacity of the plant is eighty-five tons daily. That makes it the largest plant of its kind in the south. Smaller plants are located at O'Donnell and Brownfield.

The demand for sodium sulphate has increased 80 per cent since the beginning of the war. Before the war 60 per cent of the United States sodium sulphate supply came from Germany, said youthful W. W. Coghill, plant superintendent.

The plant is modern in every respect. There are twenty-eight men on the payroll and they live in Monahans. They drive to work in six hour shifts. There's nothing dangerous about the work. It doesn't affect the lungs or eyes.

The lay of the land hasn't changed much since those cold spring days of experimenting and picking and shoveling when you don't know the road it's hard to find the state's largest plant of its type, situated two miles off the Monahans-Royalty highway. And when you get there, there's a sign that reads "No Admittance."

It's an industry that's still undeveloped under acres of West Texas caliche and alkali. It's an industry akin to the kind that the United States is interested in for national defense.

It's an industry that has been slowly developed by experimenting, unheralded.

Now, West Texans are wondering when the United States government is going to resume its search and development of the huge potash deposits which are so important in national defense.

It's an industry that may carry on when Mother Earth has exhausted its oil supply from the half dozen oil strata deep in the Permian Basin.

regarding legislation.

The pending bill, although reported favorably by the committee after exhaustive hearings, was shelved for the remainder of this session. It would have to be re-introduced next January and go through the legislative mill once because all pending measures become void with the expiration of the seventy-sixth Congress.

**Long Lost Dollar Found.**  
ABERNATHY, Dec. 13.—(AP)—J. B. Collier rummaged around in the upholstery of an easy chair, found a purse containing a dollar. He recalled he had lost it in 1934.

**Outright Gifts of Cash Advocated.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Outright gifts of cash to Great Britain, rather than loans, were advocated today by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Asked at her press conference where such gifts would come from, the president's wife said that the government, not the people, would ultimately have to come out of the pockets of you and me.

## FRANCE

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many and peace has not yet been re-established.

**May Occupy All France.**  
Fears that Germany eventually might occupy all of France stemmed from Pétain's reported refusal to let Germany send troops to Italy forces in Libya and Greece.

Nazi preference for a route through France, instead of through Italy, was said to be to protect Italian morale.

Although France is a beaten nation, informed sources here pointed out, transit of troops through the unoccupied zone without Vichy's consent would involve elaborate precautions both to maintain secrecy and to protect the Nazi column from sabotage.

While railroads in the occupied zone are closely watched and partly operated by Germany, army railroads and all naval bases and ports in unoccupied France are completely in the hands of Frenchmen.

Advances from Vichy to diplomatic sources here said Pétain and his ministers considered the request, made through Laval before he was ousted as vice premier and foreign minister last week, but turned it down.

It was said they looked on the request as an attempt to gain a foothold on the French Mediterranean bases.

Interior Minister Marcel Peyroux used the word "delicate" to describe the country's position in warning newspapers to be careful in their handling of a swift-moving series of events.

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## WEATHER

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was 24 and climbing at 8 a. m. One and one-half inch of ice and snow covered the ground. Today's minimum at Abilene was 22.

At Liberty, the Trinity river passed its 21st day at flood stage, and 15 additional days were predicted. The river was at 27.1 feet, higher than at any previous time during the present overflow.

**California Blizzard.**  
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—(AP)—A blinding blizzard today stalled 200 trucks and an undetermined number of passenger cars on the heavily-traveled Los Angeles-San Francisco highway, highway patrolmen reported.

The storm, extending to the lower west levels of the foothills, also brought rain and a gusty

wind, climaxing a three-day cold spell. Gale warnings for shipping were posted along the coast north past the Oregon border.

The Hawaiian clipper, which left Los Angeles for Honolulu Sunday, reported she had encountered such severe headwinds 12 hours at sea that she was returning.

Highway patrolmen on the Ridge route said four inches of snow had fallen in a few hours and that much of the 44-mile mountain road was impassable.

**More Airplane Engines.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The War Department disclosed today that it had let an additional \$69,722,000 contract for airplane engines to the Allison Engineering Company, a division of General Motors at Indianapolis.

The engines, officials said, were ordered for the army air corps.

## GREECE

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peasant women toiled in the cold to keep communications open and to spare men for actual fighting.

The women, their faces wrapped in shawls against the biting cold, were said to have shoveled the way for troops through four-foot snowdrifts in the passes.

One Greek cavalry sergeant said the women played a similar part in the Greek capture of Premet earlier in the push into Albania.

"There were times," he said, when every man was needed for fighting. Then it fell to the women to bring supplies and ammunition up the mountain sides. Many of them carried 70 and 80-pound packs on their backs up 3,000-foot peaks.

Elsewhere the Greek high com-

mand reported "successful local fighting" and the capture of prisoners.

**Sinks Much Shipping.**  
BERLIN, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The high command announced in a special communique today that Lieut.-Com. Otto Kretschmer had become the first German submarine commander to sink more than 250,000 tons of shipping.

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According to reports released by Mrs. R. B. Mitchell, executive secretary of Navarro County Chapter, American Red Cross, the second shipment of the third quota of War Relief garments left Corsicana for the Red Cross warehouse in Jersey City, N. J., Thursday afternoon.

The hundred thirty-one (231) garments composed the shipment, as follows: 30 convalescent robes, 26 junior girls' heavy weight woolen dresses, sizes 12 and 13 years; 40 pairs men in once pajamas; 15 children's heavy woolen sweaters, 10 baby coats and 10 baby caps, size six months; and 100 junior girls' heavy weight woolen skirts, sizes 12 and 14 years.

Mrs. W. D. Cross, serving as production chairman for this quota reported that the convalescent robes were made by members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the First Methodist church, Mrs. O. F. Allen, president; the girls' dresses by groups in the First Christian Church under the supervision of Mrs. R. M. Whitton, and in the First Presbyterian church of which Mrs. R. S. Galloway is chairman. The pajamas were made by groups in the Cumberland Presbyterian church, Mrs. Ira Boltz, supervising, and in the Third Avenue Presbyterian church of which Mrs. T. R. Egan and Mrs. W. H. Balcom directing.

Eighty-two of the girls' skirts in this shipment were made by the women of the Church of Christ, under direction of Mrs. Hawkins Scarborough, and eighteen by St. John's Woman's Auxiliary, under direction of Mrs. Elmer Butler, Jr., and Mrs. W. H. Hastings.

Other Organizations Aid. In this connection, Mrs. Mitchell stated that 20 dresses in the first shipment were made by the members of Agudas Achim, Mrs. Raymond Goldman, chairman, and the Catholic women under direction of Mrs. J. C. Walker and Miss Margaret Garitty have taken the material to complete 10 women's dresses for the next shipment. The Baptist women, Mrs. Elmer Anderson, chairman, are working on baby layettes.

As the need for the garments is so pressing, an effort will be made to forward another shipment early next week if enough articles are received in to Mrs. Cross, it was announced.

Mrs. Mitchell stated that it was impossible to list all the knitters at present as nearly every family boasts of possessing at least one member participating in this phase of volunteer service, but she believed Mrs. E. H. Newton held the highest record to date with fourteen sweaters, already completed and turned in to Mrs. Cross, more than half finished. Other individuals who have done vast amounts of knitting and sewing have been Mrs. D. B. Pickens, Mrs. Clifford Haley, Mrs. Will S. Knight, Mrs. A. Auld, Mrs. L. W. Adams, Mrs. R. W. Sneed, Mrs. E. E. Babers, Mrs. W. H. Milam, and Mrs. O. Osborne, Mrs. J. L. Jackson, Mrs. Edgar Wareing, Mrs. Kate Church, and Mrs. P. McLendon and others.

Mrs. Frank Young has accepted the chairmanship of the knitting committee to complete the present quota. Mrs. C. R. Cherry and Mrs. Kate Church have rendered outstanding service making button holes for the robes and other garments. Blocking of the sweaters is being given free by the various cleaning and pressing establishments of the city.

## METHODIST MINISTER DIED AT GRAHAM; IS BURIED HERE TODAY

Funeral services for Rev. E. W. Bridges, 58, pastor of the First Methodist church in Graham, who died Thursday night, were held at Graham Saturday morning. A brief service was held at Oakwood cemetery here Saturday afternoon where interment was made.

A heart attack was ascribed as the cause of death.

The Rev. Mr. Bridges was serving his fourth year as pastor of the Graham church. He formerly was pastor of churches in Ennis and Hillsboro.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Beulah Howard, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Mike Howard of Corsicana; five sisters and a brother.

Sutherland McCammon Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

## Navarro County Safety Council To Meet Thursday

A meeting of the Navarro County Safety Council has been called by President J. N. Garitty for Thursday night, Dec. 19, at the American Legion Hall on North Twelfth street.

Members of the council have been asked to join the Corsicana Junior Chamber of Commerce for a special safety program which will be highlighted by a motion picture presented by Capt. Schauer of the safety division of the Texas highway patrol.

The picture will be shown in some of the public schools on Friday.

## LOUIS-CHURCH

(Continued From Page One.) change his design again—to add a little more Sunday school room.

Jacobs Announces Fight. BOSTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Promoter Mike Jacobs announced today that Joe Louis, world's heavyweight boxing champion, would stage a battle with Kansas City with Tony Vozak, young Midwestern hopeful, at a date still to be settled.

"The fight will come off," Jacobs said, "and when Louis would battle for the benefit of a new and modernistic non-denominational church, planned by Dr. Burris Jenkins of Kansas City."

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## FORMER RESIDENT CORSICANA RESPONSIBLE OIL DEVELOPMENT BRINGING RICHES UNIVERSITY

By JOHN SAM HASLAM  
Daily Sun Staff

AUSTIN, Dec. 14.—The University of Texas—where nothing is impossible to science—is indebted to Santa Rita, the Patron Saint of the Impossible, for the millions of dollars it has spent and is spending for buildings which led to the school's being called "The Gold Plated University."

A saga of human courage, the story of the drilling of Santa Rita No. 1 on apparently worthless University lands in Reagan county is the story of Rupert P. Ricker, a former resident of Corsicana.

Ricker, Frank T. Pickrell, and Haymon Krupp had promoted the development of the well, and G. G. Cromwell, the driller, had spudded in near midnight on Jan. 8, 1921, a few hours before the limitation would have expired. Before it blew in early on Monday morning, May 28, 1923, a group of Catholics had become interested in the well and sought the advice of their priest. Evidently having little faith in the development, the priest advised them to leave the well alone.

Whether or not the Saint of the Impossible had anything to do with it, the well was brought in at 3,055 feet with approximately 110 barrels daily production.

Moved to Reagan County. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ricker, their son, Rupert P., and a daughter had lived in Corsicana for a number of years, and when Rupert was 18 the family moved to Reagan county. After working a short while as a railroad brakeman, Rupert entered the University of Texas, working his way through and graduated in the law class of 1915. He opened his law office about the time the World War began.

After the war, Ricker returned to Texas with the idea of getting into the oil business, but the Ranger, Desdemona and Burkburnett fields did not impress him. About this time he read a pamphlet published by the University School of Geology which gave a general discussion of the geology of West Texas together with the statement that the area had been published by the University was directly interested in the geology of the section as it owned large tracts in Reagan, Upton, Frion, and Crockett counties, which it was forbidden by law to sell and from which it had never derived more than five to ten cents an acre for grass leases.

There had been a law permitting individuals to file on University land and to prospect for oil and gas, but no one had ever attempted to do so. Quick to see the possibility of rendering a service to his University and at the same time helping the ranchers of this arid country, Ricker went into action.

Secured Permits. Land amounting to 481,360 acres or 674 sections was owned by the University in these four counties. Ricker interested several friends, and he and P. G. Stokes of Abilene put up the \$300 necessary to get the permits. The permits gotten, time became a necessity. The law required that within 30 days the owners must pay ten cents an acre (\$48,136 in this case) in order to hold the permits in force one year—at the end of which year a well must have been drilled on one of each of four sections.

Time was precious, and much work was to be done. Maps must be made and data compiled before sufficient capital could be interested in drilling the first well. Ordinarily, such work would be taken months, but Ricker did it in days. Even with his driving force and energy, however, Ricker had spent 25 of his 30 days limit to get the material together. Five days remained to sell some of the idea. Ricker went to Fort Worth but one after another the oil men turned down his plan.

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"Your project is too wild for even the most confirmed wildcat," said another.

Ricker chanced to meet Frank Pickrell, a war buddy, who had made a little money but not enough to swing this deal. Pickrell was interested, though, and could see its possibilities. Ricker

and Pickrell interested Haymon Krupp of El Paso who was reputed to have made some money furnishing supplies to Villa's army during the Mexican revolution.

Krupp, too, was interested; but neither did he have enough to put the required \$43,136. He had some good connections in New York, he said, where he thought he might borrow the money.

Rentals Were Due. Accordingly, Ricker and his associates signed over their permits to Krupp and Pickrell, who were to pay the \$43,136 rental due in three days, and Krupp barely had time to board the last train that could get him to New York before the time limit expired.

Krupp made the loan at the Hanover National Bank and wired the \$43,136 back to the commissioner of the general land office of Texas just in time to pay the rental.

Thus Rupert P. Ricker had done what no one else had ever attempted to do nor would be likely to attempt, he had gotten the permits to drill the entire 431,360 acres, and he had found a buyer who could get adequate capital to pay the rental and drill the first well. So anxious was he for the success of the venture that he and his associates took only \$2,500—\$500 of which was his share and of which he had spent more than \$350 for expenses. His titanic work and Ricker had no further connection with the developments which he had started and which he had been instrumental in bringing into being.

Krupp and Pickrell formed the Texas Oil Company and raised enough money through the sale of stock to get the company started.

A geologist made a location and a rig was purchased. The rig was being shipped to the location by rail; but, according to legend, the flat car developed trouble and the freight was unloaded where the train had stopped 15 miles from the location. The promoters decided to set up the rig and begin operations at the site of the railroad breakdown. The location of the Santa Rita No. 1 was therefore, an accident; and a very lucky accident it proved to be.

The hardships and disappointments attending the drilling of the Santa Rita No. 1 were not unlike those Ricker had had in promoting the project. In the case of this well, fate again played an important part in putting the finishing touches on Ricker's dream.

Blew Itself In. Foot by foot the well was drilled laboriously as money was raised from the sale of stock. But finally as the well neared the pay sand, public interest dwindled away, and no more sales could be made. The crew was paid off, and the well shut down at 1,055 feet. Carl Cromwell, the driller, went into Big Lake one morning, leaving Mrs. Cromwell alone with her dog in a shack they occupied near the well. Mrs. Cromwell heard the dog barking and hurried from the house, glancing in the direction of the derrick. Mrs. Cromwell's startled eyes saw the Santa Rita No. 1 throwing oil over the crown-block high into the air.

The impossible had happened! The Santa Rita No. 1 had blown itself in!

## THOMPSON

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In the presence of a stalking terror they feel the need of companionship and welcome whomsoever is closest.

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I have often heard these phenomena discussed a bit ecstatically at group tea and such things. Even the one time snobs seem glad of it.

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## ATTORNEY GENERAL GIVES OPINION ON BEER AND CHURCH

AUSTIN, Dec. 13.—(AP)—In a five page opinion the attorney general decreed today officials should measure along property lines in determining whether a beer establishment is within the prohibited 300 foot zone.

The question arose in Wichita Falls where a licensee contended the measurement should be made along the outer edge of the sidewalk. Liquor Administrator Bert H. Wright, who opposed the licensee, argued it should be made along the inside edge of the sidewalk.

Attorney General Gerald C. Mann said the law was plain that it should be made along property lines whether on the inside or outside edge of the sidewalk. He said it didn't matter whether the edge or the center of the doorway of a church and a liquor shop was the terminus of the measurement.

## INTERNATIONAL

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Petrin refused and Laval later was dropped from his government, it was said.

France was described in Vichy to be in a "delicate" situation with many French reported fearing all their land might be occupied by the Germans.

Claim British Cruiser Sunk. The Italian high command said the fascist submarine Neghell torpedoed and sank a British cruiser of the Kingston Southampton class off the African coast while acknowledging that a British air attack on Naples Saturday night killed or wounded 50 crewmen aboard an Italian warship of "medium" tonnage.

The British admiralty claimed British destroyers operating in the shelling of Bardia, sank the Italian submarine Naiale, 590 tons, when the latter "attempted to interfere."

An Associated Press correspondent who reached Sidi Barrani, which the British took Wednesday, said the victors seized enormous quantities of supplies.

Clearing weather at many points in Albania facilitated further Greek advances against the Italians there, the Greeks said. Fortifications were smashed near the Yugoslav frontier and other Greek troops continued their push northward along the Adriatic coast toward Valona, they reported.

## Black Hills WMU Met At McQuiston Home Last Monday

The WMU of Black Hills met in the home of Mrs. F. P. McQuiston Monday, Dec. 9. The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. W. L. Farnick, prayer was rendered by Mrs. Geo. Gamble. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. F. P. McQuiston. All business was transacted.

Our lesson was postponed. We gave Mrs. Heath Blake a little shower, as she is moving out of our community. She received several nice gifts. The Epistol women gave her a nice Bible.

This being social day, we had our usual grab-box. Everyone was pleased with the gift they received.

There were 10 members present and six visitors. Our next meeting will be in the Mrs. Guy Pouch home Monday, Dec. 16. The hostess served delicious pecan crisples.—Reporter.

## Oak Valley Home Demonstration Club In Christmas Party

Mrs. Ed Klappinbach and Mrs. A. S. Fulton were hostesses Thursday afternoon at the home of the Oak Valley Home Demonstration Club for their annual Christmas party.

Twenty-two members and 13 visitors were seated at the door by the hostesses and were asked to register, then seats were found in the living room which was attractive with autumn flowers, trees and red berries in artistic arrangement. And a Christmas tree, surrounded by beautifully wrapped packages.

After a short business session this meeting was turned over to Mrs. A. S. Fulton, program chairman, for the afternoon, who presented Mrs. Elliott Livingston, Miss Fay Sparkman and Miss Chloine Hulsey in a song, "Silent Night," with Mrs. Livingston playing the violin and Mrs. Ed Klappinbach as accompanist. Then Miss Katherine Averett, a talented reader, was presented in "Head over Heels at Christmas Day," which was enjoyed by all.

After this number all were invited into the dining room for refreshments.

The laid table was unusually attractive in its Christmas decorations. The center piece was an arrangement by Mrs. Celeste Pearson of red ranunculus, spoon cactus, and silver balls. Flanking it by tall green tapers in crystal candelabra. To complete this arrangement, miniature reindeer were artistically placed.

At one end of the table Mrs. H. C. Nicol served the chicken salad, and at the other Mrs. Beden Owen presided over the silver coffee service, then the guests helped themselves to the other things that were on the table.

After the refreshments were served, Doyle McManus and Johnnie Klappinbach were presented in a song, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," with Mrs. Fulton playing the piano and Mrs. Ed Klappinbach as accompanist. Then the song old Santa came in, loaded down with gifts which he passed out first, and then from the tree, with every member receiving a gift from her secret club friend, revealing who her club friend had been for the year, and also small gifts for the visitors, provided by the hostesses.

The visitors for the afternoon were Miss Lila Richards, Mrs. Charles Bell, Mrs. Melph Owen, Jr., Miss Callie Harris, Mrs. Sloan Res, Mrs. Ida Pike, Mrs. Elliott Livingston, Mrs. Catherine Hightower, Miss Chloine Hulsey, Mrs. J. W. Averett, Miss Fay Sparkman, Miss Katherine Averett and Mrs. Cox.

The first meeting of the new year will be with Mrs. R. J. Harris Jan. 9. Mrs. Melph Owen as co-hostess.—Reporter.

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## BRITISH

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have been expected, but destruction of many houses added to the lists of the homeless.

Mobile canteens circulated through the battered areas, supplying meals.

Sightseers added to the difficulties. Chief Constable Major F. S. James appealed to the curious to stay away to avoid putting extra burdens on traffic control.

Hundreds of incendiary bombs were dropped in the raid, followed by high explosives in the customary pattern of air attacks, but quick work by the auxiliary fire service was said to have reduced the fire menace.

## Brazilian Dispute Settled.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Three cases of British action against Brazilian merchant ships apparently were settled satisfactorily today.

An official announcement said the Siqueira Campos case had been settled an informed source reported the Buarque and Itaps cases also were closed.

## NEW YORK Steamer Bombed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The steamer Big Island reported in a message picked up by Mackay Radio today that she was "being bombed by enemy aircraft 340 miles west by south of Tory Island off the coast of Ireland."

The report came at 5:23 a. m. (SCT.)

The Big Island is listed in the

New York maritime register as a British craft of 2,450 tons. She was last reported out of Montreal for Liverpool, about Oct. 2.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The RAF pounded railways, factories and public utilities in Berlin, Frankfurt-in-the-Main, the Kiel shipyards and the port of Bremen in slashing overnight raids, the air ministry announced today.

Berlin drew the heaviest attack, the announcement said, with the raiders singling out numerous important targets for their bombs.

Besides bombing the inland port of Frankfurt, the air ministry said a number of targets near the city were hit hard.

In still another attack, British bombers were declared to have scored direct hits on two "enemy" merchant vessels off the French coast.

Three planes were acknowledged missing from all the night operations.

Prior to the air ministry's announcement, British informants had described the Berlin attack as "prolonged."

## COMMITTEE

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## EGYPTIAN

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Two destroyed on the ground. Three British planes were reported missing.

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Five direct hits on a concentration of cruisers and destroyers in a British air raid on the Italian port of Naples Saturday night were reported today by an RAF communiqué.

It said two Italian battleships also were attacked in the raid, but did not claim any direct hits on them.

The five hits on the smaller war vessels, the communiqué said, resulted in four "large explosions."

(An Italian communiqué admitted yesterday that one warship of medium tonnage was damaged and 50 of its crew were killed or injured and that a small motor sailboat was sunk in three British air attacks on Naples Saturday night.)

The RAF communiqué said that one British bomber dumped its entire load close to a battleship, and that bomb bursts caused fires on the jetty to which the big vessels were moored.

British planes also attacked Italian airdromes in the western desert yesterday and caused "considerable damage in a raid on Bardia," the communiqué said.

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## RED CROSS MAKING PLANS TO SEND FOOD SHIPS TO EUROPEANS

**BELIEVED BRITISH WILL LIFT EMBARGO SUFFICIENTLY TO AID CHILDREN**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(P)—The American Red Cross has made tentative arrangements to send food ships to Europe—one to Spain and the other to unoccupied France—it was learned authoritatively today.

Actual departure of the ships depends on a successful outcome of negotiations in progress between the United States and British governments, and the prospects were considered good.

While unwilling to exert pressure on the beleaguered British government for a general lifting of the blockade, the state department was learned, is seeking permission for an American ship to proceed to Marseilles with a cargo of condensed milk and concentrated vitamin products for undernourished children in unoccupied France.

The British government has ruled out any relaxation of the blockade for food shipments to countries occupied or dominated by Germany, blocking proposals for a large scale American relief program in continental Europe.

Seeking a continuance of Spain's neutrality, however, Britain has granted permits for some food

## Large Allocation Texas Armories Is Approved by FDR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(P)—The Works Projects Administration notified Senator Connally (D-Tex.) today President Roosevelt had approved allocation of \$7,540,874 for construction of national guard armories in Texas.

Sponsor of the projects is the Texas National Guard Armory Board. Disbursement of funds is subject to the approval of the state WPA administrator.

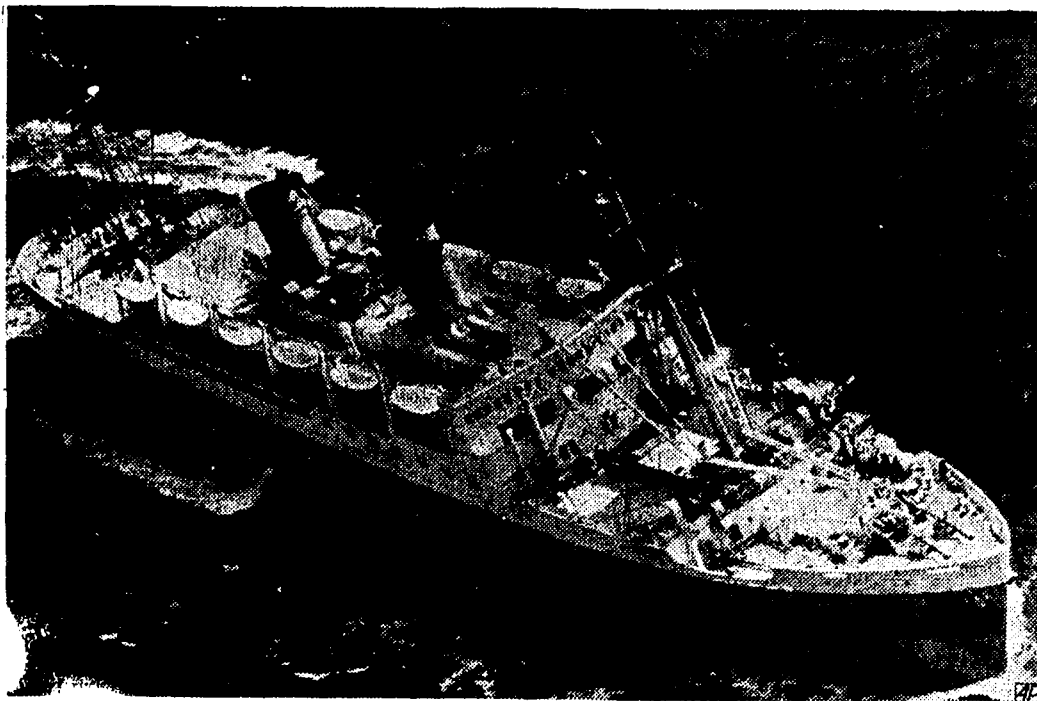
The notification received by Connally did not indicate where the armories would be built.

Shipments from South America to Spain, where need already is acute, and is understood to be willing to sanction the projected \$1,000,000 shipment of foodstuffs from the United States.

Since the American Red Cross is a neutral, humanitarian organization, Norman H. Davis, its chairman, is reported in informed quarters to be insisting that any Red Cross help must go "to all who are suffering in Europe."

The Red Cross therefore has taken the position, it is reported, that if and when it sends a shipload of food to Spain, it must also be allowed to send similar help to infants and children in unoccupied France, the other victims of the war who most urgently need food now.

## NORWAY'S LARGEST SHIP REPORTED LOST



Shipping circles in New York reported that the 18,673-ton passenger liner Oslofjord (above), Norway's largest and finest ship, struck a mine and sank off Newcastle in the British Isles. She sailed from New York on Oct. 28 under charter by England.

## Small Increase Over Normal of Influenza Cases Reported Texas

AUSTIN, Dec. 16.—(P)—cases of influenza reported to the state health department currently total 1,008 as compared to a normal expectancy of 600, Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, said today.

The state official reported the disease was widely scattered in most instances and was of a mild character. He pointed out there had been no evidence of an increase in pneumonia which, he said, typically accompanied influenza in a true epidemic.

Many Cases in Alexandria, ALEXANDRIA, La., Dec. 16.—(P)—Health officials today said that about 7,800 persons, 15 percent of the population of Alexandria, were sick with colds or influenza, but no "flu" cases were reported at nearby Camp Beaufort where 12,000 soldiers are in training.

The city's normal population is about 30,000 but National Guard officials said this number has been swollen by out of town workers engaged on camp building projects.

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## GERMANS DECLARE MATERIAL DAMAGE LACKING IN RAIDS

**FOUR KILLED AND TWELVE INJURED IN BRITISH ATTACK ON BERLIN**

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—(P)—Four persons were killed and 12 wounded in British air raids on Berlin last night, the German high command reported today, acknowledging some damage.

A communique said some houses were damaged and two hospitals hit, while a suburban rail line was temporarily disturbed. A church was reported destroyed at Herford, in Eastern Germany, while one bomb was said to have started a fire in a Central German factory. The high command said the fire was extinguished quickly, entailing no production disturbance.

One raiding plane was reported shot down by a German ship. The communique said there were no Nazi plane losses during the night.

**Nazi Comments on Navy.**  
BERLIN, Dec. 16.—(P)—The official DNE news agency, commenting on statements it said the United States navy department gave out in connection with the sinking of the Nazi freighter Idarwald and an attempt on the merchant ship Rhein by the British, said today "it would be interesting to know what instructions American destroyers have in the event they are witnesses to

war-like actions within the security zone patrolled by themselves."

"The American navy department gave out these two items of news without saying anything about the role of American destroyers which the two German vessels met soon after leaving harbor," the news agency said.

"The Idarwald's captain, on inquiry, was told that American ships were ordered to accompany the German vessels to the limits of the American security zone."

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## BITTER FIGHTING ON TWO BATTLE FRONTS REPORTED BY ITALY

**INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN TO REINFORCE CIVILIAN MORALE ALSO UNDER WAY**

ROME, Dec. 16.—(P)—Bitter fighting in Libya and Albania against severe British and Greek attacks was reported today by the Italian high command.

The British attacks along the Egyptian-Libyan frontier were said to have been made under bombardment of Italian planes which caused heavy casualties.

The high command's communique said Greek attacks along the Albanian battlefield were repulsed with "considerable" losses on both sides.

An intensive campaign to reinforce civilian morale throughout northern Italy, including the country's industrial zones, in a winter "battle on the internal front" was under way following a conference held by Adelchi Sereno, Fascist party secretary, and provincial Fascist chiefs at Premier Mussolini's home city of Ferri.

Sereno reported to Mussolini "assurance that Blackshirts and the Italian people are unshakably decided to face any events," declaring the "absurd hopes of the enemy" so far as the Italian people's resistance is concerned are and will be still more bitterly dis-

appointed by facts." Intensified aid for the needy, with local Fascist headquarters to be kept open twenty-four hours a day, was ordered by Sereno. Fascist women are to visit military hospitals and fighters' families.

Fascist officials are to watch over supplies, rationing and prices, "severely suppressing any attempt at hoarding or speculation." Finally Sereno expressed the belief that Blackshirts would break up any anti-Fascist movements.

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## JUST FOLKS

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### WORK VS. CHARITY.

Were I talking to the youngsters  
of the nation I should say  
If you've pride in food and raiment,  
work must be the only  
way.  
Though the city and the country  
come to hungry men's relief,  
You will have to work to earn it  
If you want to choose your  
beef.  
For the finest sort of suppers—  
this is gospel from the book—  
Are the ones the men folk work  
for and their wives and  
mothers cook.

Whoever way you view it, noth-  
ing's daintier in relief,  
You must take it as they make it  
and the dinner hour is brief.  
The kitchen most bewitching has  
no lineup at the door,  
But is handy to the table when  
the youngsters ask for more.  
The finest sort of dinners are the  
ones the women get  
And go shopping for 'em mornings  
and dish up when table's set.  
I don't know how to phrase it  
But it's this to boys I'd tell:  
Work's a better friend than pity,  
and a better cook as well.  
If you like a choice of clothing,  
say of brown or gray or blue,  
Work's the only friend that ever  
leaves such matters up to you.  
And though pity is willing to  
respond to every call,  
The best that pity offers is a  
handout after all.

And probable place of mobi-  
lization, while managing  
to keep their own prepara-  
tions hidden.  
They swept through Asia  
and up the Danube valley,  
using these tactics.  
The resemblance may be  
deliberate, or it may be ac-  
cidental. Then, too, some  
people would consider  
Adolf a reincarnation of  
same spirit which dwelt in  
Genghis Khan.

Whatever the underlying  
circumstances, the rest of  
the world knows the meth-  
ods are bad. They dislike  
them extremely and are de-  
termined not to let them  
last one minute longer or  
go one mile further than  
they can help.

### LAWYERS LEADING.

Prof. James Grafton Rogers  
of the Yale University  
Law School in a recent  
speech urged the lawyers  
of the country to "lead the  
nation in intelligent  
thoughtful and temperate  
contemplation of the serious  
problems now facing the  
nation." He added that "the  
present-day threat to Amer-  
ican democracy could not  
be overcome by careless,  
thoughtless following of  
banners and slogans."

Lawyers, presumably, are  
trained in methods of log-  
ical and cautious thinking.  
Their attitude could be a  
brake on any headlong  
tendency to rush after  
banners and slogans  
down the wrong roads. Not  
the trivial technicalities by  
which small lawyers at-  
tempt to win cases, but the  
Law, as the administration  
of Justice and Equity be-  
tween man and man, is  
here called to attention.  
Lawyers with this high view  
of their profession as a pub-  
lic service are always use-  
ful in any community, and  
their talents are called to  
action especially at this  
time.

### THRIFTY PREPARED- NESS

It is natural and perhaps  
inevitable for a rich nation  
like ours, when it turns to  
defense preparations, to  
pour out money like water.  
It is an enormous job that  
demands enormous expen-  
diture. Every intelligent  
and loyal American will  
approve the spending of  
whatever is necessary to  
equip us for defense in any  
form that may become nec-  
essary.

But that is no reason why  
money should be poured out  
blindly in a Niagara of ex-  
penditure. The greater the  
task, the more need of  
thrifty handling. Even  
Uncle Sam's money bag is  
not bottomless. Outgo rests  
on income, which comes  
from taxation, which in turn  
rests on business and com-  
merce.

The people will loyally  
support any amount of ex-  
penditure if they are as-  
sured that there is no lav-  
ish and preventable waste.

"With your own soil un-  
der your feet, you cannot  
go wrong," said author  
Louis Bromfield to young  
exhibitors at a livestock  
show. Conversely, aggres-  
sors might be told,  
"With another people's soil  
under your feet, you have  
routes of communication

## IF SIGNOR MUSSOLINI IS HUMAN—!

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ENGLAND ON THE  
FIFTEENTH OF SEPT.  
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### Activities Report Local NYA Center

Our regular council meeting was  
called by Faye Caskey, our house-  
manager on Nov. 23. We discussed  
entertainment plans and house  
regulations. Joyce Brittan has  
served as assistant house manag-  
er, Helen Ruth McCulloch, sec-  
retary, and Edith McGraw was elected  
reporter.

We were happy to welcome three  
new girls to our project. They are  
Melba Morton, Frost; Emma Jean  
Watson, Corsicana; and Clara Jane  
Phillips, Blooming Grove.

On the evening of Nov. 28 our  
group enjoyed a delicious Thanks-  
giving dinner planned and pre-  
pared on the project. At the con-  
clusion of the meal, social games  
were played.

As a home improvement feature  
new linoleum was purchased for  
our kitchen floor. We have also  
bought new garbage and waste  
paper containers for the kitchen.  
Extensive woodwork washing and  
window cleaning was also done.

We entertained a number of the  
National Guard boys with a dance  
on the night of Dec. 3. We danced  
to music from an electric phono-  
graph.

Dinner guests on the project  
have been Donald Armstrong,  
Mrs. Ed Phillips, Mrs. R. E. Wil-  
liams, Mae Dell Allmon, and Tom-  
my Caskey.

Bascom Lang, former area di-  
rector, visited us a short while on  
Sunday night. Ed Terrell Coleman,  
our new area director, has been  
our frequent visitor. Mrs. Nell  
Dearmont Donoho, assistant su-  
pervisor of vocational homemak-  
ing at Fort Worth, visited our  
project on Nov. 18.

Discussion on meal planning,  
meal preparation, table service,  
laundrying and consumer buying  
have been conducted as a part of  
our training program. Various  
demonstrations on meal prepara-  
tions were held.

We have made a variety of  
Christmas candies and Christmas  
favors during the past few days.  
Yard work has occupied a por-  
tion of our time on the project.  
Leaves were raked and burned;  
old vegetation was cut and pulled  
out, the frame garden was worked,  
and the grass on our curbing cut.  
Home recreation has included  
social dancing and volleyball.

We have made apple butter and  
apple jelly from two bushels of  
apples.

Harold Bryson, district publi-  
city agent, showed his educational  
films on Dec. 5. His topics were  
"A Right to Live" and "Jobs, Not  
a Handout."

On Monday night, Dec. 2, a fo-  
rum was led by our supervisor on  
"Our Flag," how to display and re-  
spect the flag.—Edith McGraw.

### Social Meeting Of Fairfield Methodist Women Held Monday

FAIRFIELD, Dec. 14.—(Spl.)—  
The Woman's Society of Christian  
Service met in the home of Mrs.  
Roger Ivy, Monday, Decm. 9 for  
their monthly social meeting.

Christmas decorations were used  
throughout the house. In the cen-  
ter of the living room was a  
beautifully decorated tree sur-  
rounded by gifts, each bearing a  
number. On the dining table was  
a miniature tree on a reflector,  
with two tiny white reindeer at  
the base.

At 3 o'clock Mrs. DuPuy called  
the meeting to order. Mrs. Gar-  
field Shanks led in prayer, and  
the business was discussed. The  
scripture was read by Mrs. Frank-  
lin Glazener. "The Achievements  
of the Methodist Women in the  
Homeland" was discussed by Mrs.  
Lendon Reed.

A beautiful impressive dedica-  
tion service was conducted by  
Mesdames, Jester White, Hugh  
Reed, and Lildon Du Puy with  
responsive readings from the  
members.

After the song, "Take My Life  
and Let It Be," the meeting was  
adjourned for the social hour.

A fresh plate of chicken  
salad, potato chips, pickles, crack-  
ers, cookies, and coffee was served  
by Mrs. Ivy Mrs. W. H. Childs  
and Mrs. Rankin, co-hostesses.

Plate favors were red and green  
bells tied to a sprig of holly and  
each had a number to correspond  
with a gift under the tree. Mrs.  
DuPuy passed out the gifts to  
thirty members.

### Pioneer Resident Freestone County Buried On Tuesday

FAIRFIELD, Dec. 14.—(Spl.)—  
Mrs. Fanni Richardson, aged 86,  
pioneer resident of Freestone  
county, died at the home of her  
daughter, Mrs. Sterling Newman,  
near Young Monday. Burial was  
in Rehoboth cemetery at Young,  
Tuesday, under direction of Bur-  
leson Funeral Home, following re-  
ligious services by the Revs. H. L.  
McKissack and James Mor-  
gan.

Near surviving relatives are  
three children, Mrs. Sterling New-  
man of Young, Henry Richardson  
of Blum, and Mrs. L. H. Owens  
of Blum.

Sun Want Ads Bring Results.

### Operator Says Truck Was Not Overloaded

G. A. Cosby, truck operator, 1425  
1-2 Main street, Fort Worth, called  
at the Sun office Saturday and  
stated there was some misunder-  
standing concerning a recent ac-  
cident reported where a truck  
loaded with lumber damaged the  
Rush Creek bridge.

He said his truck was not over-  
loaded and that he was not mak-  
ing an effort to pass through this  
county unnoticed. Mr. Cosby said  
his load consisted of 3500 feet of  
lumber. He said he was well  
known in the community where  
the accident occurred.

### Corsicana Attorney To Speak at Banquet Honoring Frost Team

FROST, Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Tom  
L. Tyson, Corsicana attorney, will  
be the principal speaker at the  
annual Frost High School football  
banquet here Thursday night,  
Dec. 19. W. V. Harrison, superin-  
tendent of schools, has announc-  
ed.

A large crowd is expected to  
attend.

**WANTED**  
Bring us your chickens, fry-  
ers, turkeys, eggs, sour cream.  
We pay market prices at all  
times.  
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## SCATTERED CASES OF INFLUENZA HERE BUT NO SIGN EPIDEMIC

Several scattered cases of in-  
fluenza were reported in the  
Corsicana public schools Monday  
by Superintendent W. H. Norwood  
who asserted, however, that the  
situation is not regarded as ser-  
ious.

He said the increase in sickness  
was anticipated due to recent bad  
weather, but added that the num-  
ber of cases reported so far is  
negligible.

Dr. W. T. Shell, Jr., city health  
officer, reported Monday that the  
number of flu cases in the city  
exceeded the usual seasonal figure  
but added that the situation is  
not alarming. No definite fig-  
ures are available as to the num-  
ber of existing cases, he said. He  
pointed out that those reported  
are only light cases.

### Christmas Program Was Given by Pupils Of Kerens School

KERENS, Dec. 14.—(Spl.)—  
Parents and other interested pa-  
trons of the Kerens school were  
entertained by elementary grade  
pupils on Friday, Dec. 13, at 11  
a. m., with an amusing and very  
enjoyable Christmas program giv-  
ing in the high school auditorium.

Directed by primary supervisor,  
Miss Bertie Mae Stevens, num-  
bers were as follows:  
Piano Solo—Billie Harrison.  
Violin Solo—John Robert Mc-  
Sween.

Reading—Shirley Taylor.  
Piano Number—Gretchen Cher-  
ry.

"Santa Comes to Town"—Sung  
by Jimmie Nell Layfield, Linda  
Rowe, Martha Clayton, Bobby Fae  
March, Mary Frances Spurlock,  
Diane Coates, Lynette McClung,  
Yvonne Gray, Billie Louise Mar-  
shall and Sara Jane Seale.

A very modern Christmas play,  
"Santa Claus Up to Date," was  
well given by an all-boy cast  
(with the exception of Lynette  
McClung).

Santa Claus—Henry D. Hulan.  
Elihu—Charles Newsome, James  
Wright, James Newton Bruner,  
Robert Bain, James Ray Baxter,  
Tenny Whorton, Jr.

Chorus, Singing Christmas Cal-  
ols—Myra Jean Seale, Jeanette  
Coggins, Yvonne De Jarnet, Wan-  
da Jean Hoen, Merry Ruth Fields,  
Joan Seale, Imogene Massey,  
Cliff Coates, Jr., Richard San-  
ders, Douglas Cunningham, D. L.  
Orr, Jack Burdette, William Brun-  
ner, Robert Lee Radford.

Miss Louise Blackwell, daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. J. E. Blackwell of Tur-  
pelo, will participate in an invita-  
tional debate tournament at Ada,  
Okla., Dec. 13-14. Miss Blackwell,  
a senior and member of the Mary  
Hardin-Baylor College debate  
team, has won in several debate  
and orations tournaments. She and  
her debate partner will be ac-  
companied on their trip by their  
coach, Miss Emogene Emery of  
the speech department at the col-  
lege.

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Company**  
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## Goings and Comings Of Fairfield Folk And Their Visitors

FAIRFIELD, Dec. 14.—(Spl.)—  
Mrs. Floris Shick and sons, Floris  
Leldon and Joe, left Sunday for  
Dallas where they will make their  
home.

Miss Doris Hill of Waco spent  
Tuesday here.

W. W. Steward, Jr., has been  
confined to his home the past  
week ill with flu.

W. C. Clark and Travis Wea-  
ver are in Mineral Wells this  
week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alderman  
Cr. and Mr. and Mrs. John Al-  
derman, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs.  
Mervie Wood visited Billie Alder-  
man at Arlington, Sunday.

Mrs. Ernest Coulter and sons  
returned to their home in Corpus  
Christi Sunday. They were ac-  
companied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred  
Folk and children for a weeks' visit.

Cannon Moore left Monday for  
Houston to visit his family for a  
few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunter of  
Beaumont visited his brother, L.  
Hunter, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Phipps and  
son, Billie, Wayne of Dallas, vis-  
ited their parents Mr. and Mrs. H.  
J. Cannon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ivy, Jr. and  
Mrs. A. N. Gunter visited Mrs.  
Gunter's son, Howard Gunter in  
Houston during the weekend.

Mrs. Andrew Lackey of Teague  
visited here Wednesday.

Mrs. L. Kizman spent Wednes-  
day in Wortham.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Goode of  
Denton visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C.  
Stegar last week.

Miss Lizzie Robertson is criti-  
cally ill at the home of her daugh-  
ter, Mrs. Howard Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Van McClellan of  
Crockett visited Mrs. H. C. Gran-  
berry this week.

### Purdon Youth Named President Of Baylor Freshman Law Class

WACO, Dec. 14.—(Spl.)—Ralph  
Norvell, Baylor University student  
from Purdon was elected presi-  
dent of the freshman law class.  
Norvell is a member of Phi Kap-  
pa Delta, honorary forensic so-  
ciety. He is president of the inter-  
national relations club and the  
Current History Forum. He is an  
ex-winner of the freshman debate  
award.

He was graduated from the  
Corsicana high school in 1938 and  
is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N.  
Norvell of Purdon.

### Dates Changed For Boys Conference

Officials of the local YMCA were  
informed Monday morning of a  
change in date for the 1941 North  
Texas Older Boys Conference  
from Feb. 7-9 to March 14-16. The  
conference will still be held in  
Waco as previously slated, it was  
pointed out.

Plans are being made by the  
two H-Y clubs of Corsicana to  
send representatives to the con-  
ference.

## MANY CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE DESTINED FOR FIRE LOCALLY

The following statement has  
been requested publication that  
local senders of Christmas cards  
may be informed on this matter:  
Postal officials wish to warn  
the public that greetings sent  
third-class on one and one-half  
cent postage do not have the priv-  
ilege of being either forwarded to  
addresses or returned to sender,  
where not deliverable at place ad-  
dressed. . . or do they get the ben-  
efit of directory search for correct  
location of addresses. Thousands  
of such cards are burned each  
Christmas.

Patrons are urged to send cards  
first class mail, 2 cents in Cor-  
sicana, and 3 cents at all other of-  
fices.

By making such cards first-class  
they may be forwarded to new ad-  
dresses or returned, so that send-  
ers may know if they were deliv-  
ered.

Patrons are urged to write ad-  
dresses plainly and mail early.

### Bones Sanders Has Been Sold to a Club

Bones Sanders of Corsicana,  
star first-sacker of the Amarillo  
club of the West Texas-New Mex-  
ico League for the past two sea-  
sons, has been sold to the Scran-  
ton Club of the Eastern League, it  
was learned here Thursday.

The West Texas-New Mexico  
loop is a Class D league while the  
Eastern is a Class A circuit.  
Sanders formerly played sand-  
lot baseball with the Corsicana  
Cotton Millers and other amateur  
clubs in this section. He will report  
to the Scranon Club at the spring  
training camp.

### SPECIAL FOR THE HOLIDAYS

\$2.50 Permanent  
\$1.00  
Perfect Oil Wave  
\$2. or 2 for \$3  
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Shoppe  
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Beautiful  
Realistic Cream  
Waves for \$5.00.  
Other good guar-  
anteed Waves for  
\$2.00. Plenty ex-  
pert operators to  
serve you.  
NORRIS BEAUTY SHOPPE  
Phone 247

## Turkeys Turkeys

Will need four hundred Tur-  
keys for New Orleans not  
later than Thursday!

### HENS! HENS!

Want ten thousand pounds  
of Hens for next Saturday's  
loading. Will pay ten on  
colored Hens; eight Leghorns.  
Will pay twenty-four cents  
for good fresh eggs until  
Saturday night.

### A. B. WALKER AND SON

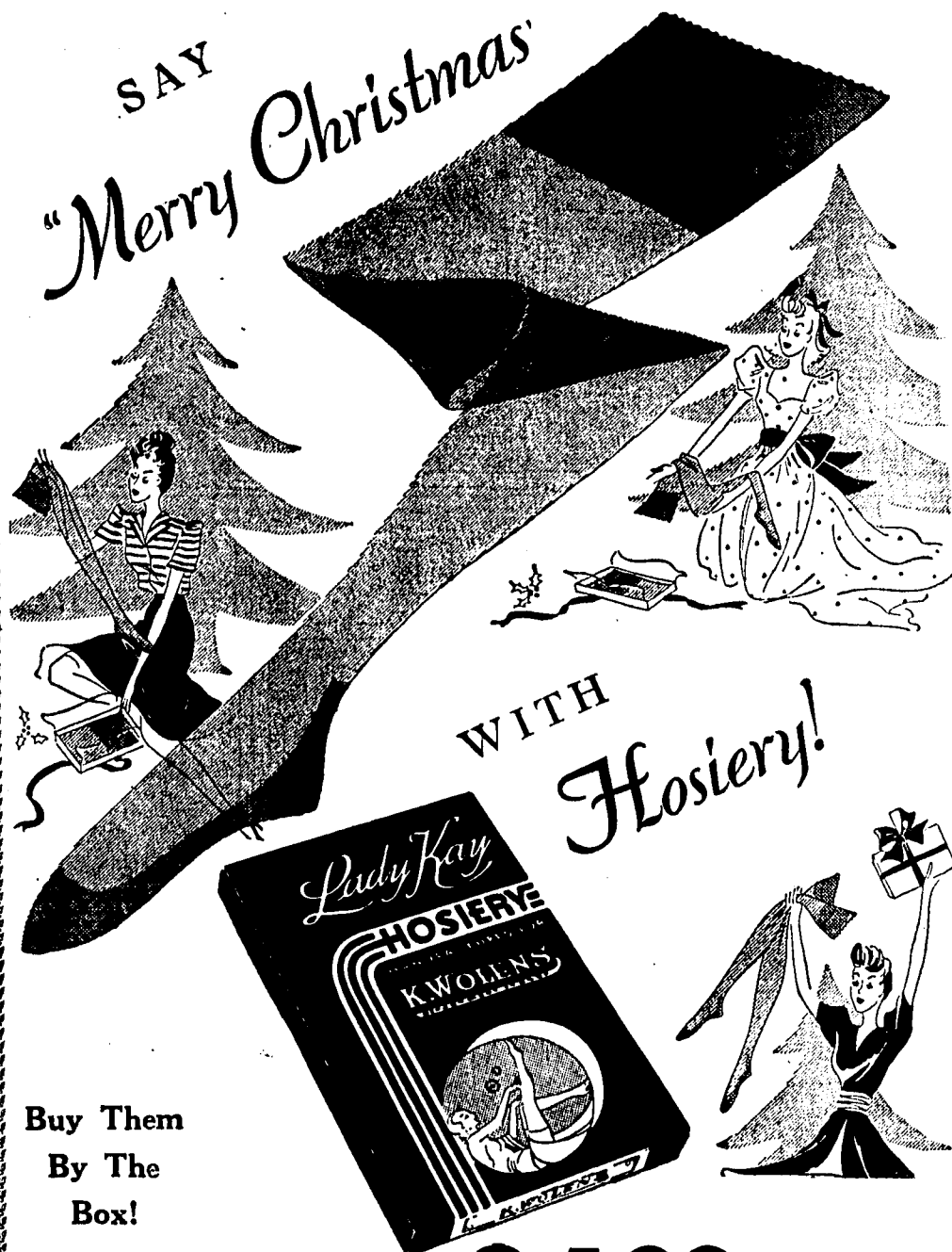


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GIVE HIM SOME-  
THING NICE  
TO WEAR!

HIS FAVORITE GIFT



Give Him Socks 25c-35c

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Lounging Robes

One of these "fine" handsome Robes! Finely tailored of either Silk or Rayon Brocade, or warm colored Gaberdine or Flannel!

**\$3.98 to \$6.95**

Leather Jackets and Coats

The "Finest" Gift of All! Just received 100 new, handsome Leather Coats and Jackets. Every size! Every style!

**\$4.95 to \$9.95**

New 'Line-Fold' Shirts "As advertised in Esquire."

Dozen and dozens of smart new patterns in these "perfect-fitting" shirts.

**\$1.98**

Genuine Gaberdine Solid Color SHIRTS -By "Varsity Park" Matching Pearl Buttons

**\$3.98**

'Squire' Pajamas Handsome, comfortable Pajamas of Flannel or Printed Broadcloth with contrasting satin shawl collars and cuffs. Belton styles.

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Hundreds of Colorful TIES A large rich assortment for your Gift shopping. Men will wear these Ties! They're hand-tailored and wool-lined!

**98c**



## At the Top of Every Gift List

Hundreds of Lovely Lingerie Gift Items in Our Large Christmas Showing!

Lovely Matching Gown and Robe Ensembles Beautiful floral prints in these popular new lazy-luxury sets of matching gowns and robes with wide, sweeping skirts!

**\$2.95**

Thrillingly Beautiful Satin or Crepe Gowns...

Strikingly tailored or lavishly lace-trimmed Gowns with the new high bosomed waists and sweeping skirts! She'll love to receive one of these 'lovelies'!

**\$1.95 and \$2.95**

Dainty Undie Gifties... Panties and Brassieres...

Some of these superbly tailored or frilly lace and ribbon trimmed Undies will make lovely, yet inexpensive gifts! No lady ever gets too many of these Undies!

**59c**



Lovely Satin or Crepe Slips DOZENS OF BEAUTIFUL STYLES TO SELECT FROM!

Any of these lovely Slips will please her! Simple tailored with perfect style or frilly styles with deep lace trims—you'll find them all here!

**\$1.59**

Gorgeous Housecoats and Robes

We've searched the markets and brought in the loveliest House Coats and Robes for your Christmas giving! Satin, Quilted, Rayon, Crepe, Chenille, Corduroy in lovely sweeping wrap-around and Zipper styles that will bring many a thrill to giver and receiver!

**\$3.95 and up**

Soft Crepe Pajamas

Smartly tailored or Feminine styles with lace or ribbon trims in dainty pastels and gay printed patterns. Several styles. All sizes.

**\$1.98**

Children's Satin Sets Matching Robe-Pajama Ensembles

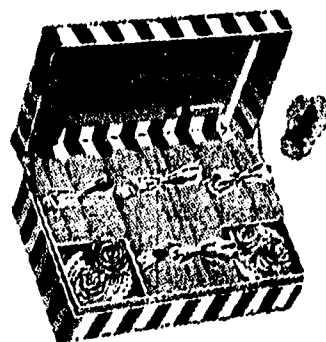
Just like Mother's and Big Sister's! In Teal, Blue Wine or Royal... **\$3.98**

Also a big line of Children's Slips, Gowns, Robes and Lingerie.

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DEPARTMENT STORES



## JUNIOR RED-CROSS INVITED TO FURNISH GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

### NAVARRO COUNTY MEMBERS EXPECTED GIVE PRESENT WACO METHODIST HOME

Mrs. R. B. Mitchell, executive secretary of Navarro County Chapter, American Red Cross, reported Monday that Junior Red Cross members in Navarro County had been invited to participate in plans of the American National Red Cross in its service to the various institutions in Texas by furnishing fifty Christmas gifts for children in the Methodist Orphans' Home in Waco. A similar quota had been assigned and accepted by the Hill County Juniors. Mrs. Mitchell stated, while Dallas County Juniors were scheduled to send their gifts to the State Orphans' Home here. The Junior members in some places send gifts to patients in children's hospitals and others send place cards, plate favors and comfort articles to veterans in hospital.

Miss Bessie Watson, chairman of the Junior enrollment in the State Orphans' Home in Corsicana, where 48 rooms, representing 191 Junior members, are enrolled, has accepted responsibility for securing twenty-five of the quota of gifts assigned this chapter. She will be assisted by Mrs. Helen Bowen and Misses Effie Easterling, Irene Prince, and Lucille Abraham in assembling the remembrances.

It is suggested that the gifts be quite simple and may include books, toys, dolls, games, puzzles, etc., some for boys and some for girls, some for younger children and some for older ones.

Other schools in the county have been provided out of donations received from pupils in the Emhouse, Pickett, Roane and Mildred schools and from a milk-bottle fund turned in by Mrs. Robert Watt.

Latest schools to enroll 100 per cent for Junior Red Cross, Mrs. Mitchell stated, are the Emhouse elementary and high schools, and the Pickett school. The Emhouse enrollment represents 375 memberships and the Pickett school fifty members. Melvin Taylor is superintendent at Emhouse and Mrs. O. McLaughlin is principal at Pickett. All teachers at both schools joined the Senior Red Cross during the recent Roll Call, thus making both teachers and pupils 100 per cent members.

## Richland 4-H Club Member Designated Get Wilson Award

Thomas McClendon of Richland has been designated to receive the Wilson award for completing the outstanding livestock feeding project among the 410 4-H club members of the county during the year, according to an announcement Monday by A. P. Bralley, assistant county agent.

The award will be made Tuesday night by J. W. Richards, Richland banker and stockman, at community PTA meeting at the Richland school. According to the report of the county agent on the youth's project, he selected an average calf from a load of feeders purchased on the Fort Worth market and kept him on an average pasture on the farm rented by his father, feeding sorghum hay with necessary protein supplement in form of cottonseed meal.

The youth charged his account with 65 cents per bushel for corn used, \$10 per ton for the hay, adding in insurance, interest and even the gasoline used to haul the scale for weighing, and then made a net profit of \$40 on the animal, which had an average daily gain of 2.2 pounds.

## NEWS FLASHES

### HOOVER PLAN BARRED

Lord Lothian had announced that Britain is rejecting the Hoover food relief plan. Seems that under present conditions any such scheme to aid the nations under Hitler's yoke would be of material assistance to Germany's war effort and would thereby actually postpone the day of liberation for these peoples!

Colds and other minor ailments can develop into serious illness at this time of year...so don't postpone seeing your doctor at the first sign of fever or sore throat. The prescription he gives you will be filled according to his specifications. If you bring it here. Prompt service always!

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PHARMACY  
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## HEALTH, BEAUTY AND POISE

By VERONICA DENZEL

### DRESS-UP CHARM.

We are coming into the height of the dress-up season. Dances, concerts, parties, that call for lovely evening dresses, are a pleasure for the clothes-loving girl. There is one point about which I want to caution you, however. If you



Choose carefully cut gowns.

have a lovely chest—as Myrna Loy, MGM star, who will soon start work opposite William Powell in "Mr. Good" reveals in our picture today—by all means show it. Choose gowns that are beautifully cut and which will emphasize the perfection of your skin and the set of your shoulders.

If you are too thin, however, and the collar bone is sharply outlined, or there are hollows—such a low-cut dress is not for you. And if you are too plump—the same thing applies—this type of dress should not be in your wardrobe. This season's "cover-up" fash-

ion's chest is not one of your good points. And, you flat-chested girls—don't be afraid to wear the new filled-in brassieres which give you a better bustline. They will do wonders for the effectiveness of your costume, and help you to overcome any self-consciousness about lack of development.

All requests for persons "Health Beauty and Poise" information desired by Veronica Denzel's column followers must be accompanied by a fully self-addressed stamped envelope, 4 x 6, addressed: Veronica Denzel in care of this newspaper.

### SUNFLOWER STREET

By Tom Little and Tom Sims



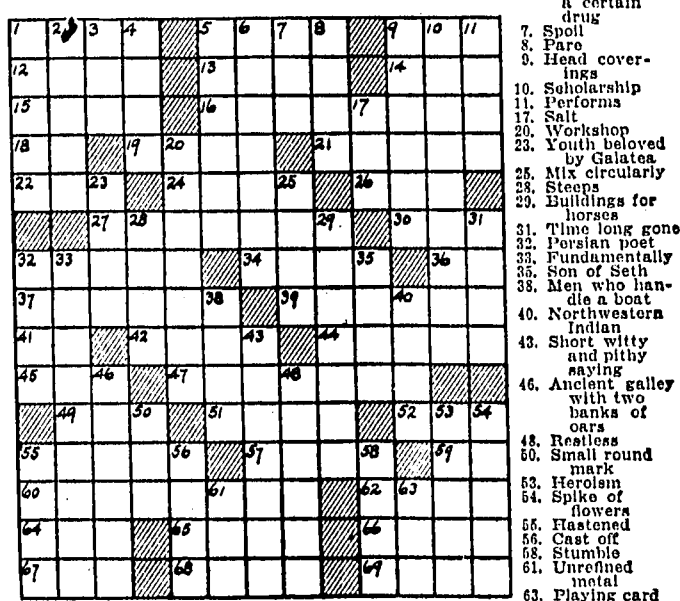
### Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS  
1. Address  
2. Inclined walk  
3. Drying  
4. So be it  
5. Wings  
6. Mountain  
7. Type of rail-  
road  
8. Merchandise  
9. Prairies  
10. Ocean  
11. Children  
12. Hawaiian  
13. Believes  
14. Pippen  
15. Lay window  
16. Quote  
17. Penelope but-  
terfly  
18. Kind of resin  
19. Invertebrate

AGNES SILO AS  
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Solution Friday's Puzzle.

DOWN  
3. Allow  
4. Was aware  
5. Accessory of  
an old-fash-  
ioned riding  
6. Pertaining to  
a certain  
7. Spoil  
8. Pare  
9. Hard cover-  
ings  
10. Scholarship  
performa  
11. Salt  
12. Youth beloved  
by Galatea  
13. Mix circularly  
14. Sleeps  
15. Buildings for  
torches  
16. Time long gone  
17. Persian poet  
18. Fundamentally  
19. Son of Seth  
20. Men who han-  
dle a boat  
21. Northwestern  
Indian  
22. Smart witty  
and witty  
23. Alient gallery  
with two  
banks of  
24. Realities  
25. Small round  
26. Heroin  
27. Spike of  
dowers  
28. Hastened  
29. Cast off  
30. Stumble  
31. Unrehearsed  
32. Playing card



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ALL WORK GUARANTEED  
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## KENNEDY

(Continued From Page One.)

nearest thing to hell ever seen on this earth." So great was the surprise that Fascist tanks never even got into action. Italian General Pietro Maletti tried to rally his piked forces for a counter-attack but he fell with a bullet in his chest and died soon after the British reached him. Horaces stampeded in the camp. British tanks raced around inside with guns blazing, British artillery was spraying Italian trenches and British infantry roared in with rifles and machine-guns firing and bayonets flashing. The Italian surrender was inevitable. Not a man escaped. Then the British went on to take the east and west forts at Tummar, where stronger resistance, including a counter-attack by 12 tanks, was encountered but overcome. That night the tired British fighters bivouacked in the desert between here and Tum-Mar.

While they rested the fleet shelled Sidi Barrani throughout the night, giving the Italians a preview of what was to come.

tanks lead way. With the dawn, the British lish column made up entirely of English and Scottish regiments—started for Sidi Barrani with tanks leading the way. Two-thirds of a mile south of the town they came under the fire of Italians entrenched on a ridge. The fascist forces were composed of black and division of Libyans—outnumbered the attacking British about four to one.

Sidi Barrani was encircled at the time another unit had cut through to the coast west of the town and another had just taken Matkila on the coast 10 miles to the east—but the attack-

## M'KENZIE

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ya aren't Italy's whole war." Britain took a far worse beating in Flanders than those to which Italy thus far has been subjected—and Britain is far stronger today than she was at that time. Italy may come through, too, but there is a vast difference between Italy and Britain. That difference lies in those resources.

Lloyd George May Come In. LONDON, Dec. 16.—(P)—David Lloyd George, World War prime minister whom political correspondents have mentioned as a possible next ambassador to the United States or a new member of the British Cabinet, had a long conference today with Prime Minister Churchill.

ing troops did not know this. After seven hours of hard fighting, in which the British said the blackshirts fought well and inflicted considerable casualties, the British drove them back and took the ridge at 2 p. m.

Outfought and weary, various Italian detachments began to give in and by nightfall the village was in the hands of the British, though many groups remained to be rounded up. Wednesday, General Gallino, Italian corps commander for Egypt, who was captured with his staff, asked permission to address his troops and in a pathetic speech thanked his men for their struggle.

Have something you don't need? Try a Want Ad and convert it into cash. Just phone 163.

## CAMP BOWIE

(Continued From Page One.)

Insulated vent at the top. Turn that stove on and close the door, and you have a warm, dry room, even in raw and bitter weather like that of the past wet week end.

The private in the 36th sleeps on an iron cot, more comfortable than the canvas cot of World War training days. It has a cotton mattress—probably manufactured in Texas of long-staple cotton. It has sheets, pillow slip, cotton comforter and three warm wool blankets—probably Texas wool.

There are six cots, including one double-decker. These, the gas stove and the men's lockers and equipment are all the furniture they will have.

Proud of Gas Stoves.

Camp Bowie officers are proud of those gas stoves, and they believe them to be the only ones in the army. Washington officials first specified coal stoves, but gas-conscious Texans spoke up for the local fuel and its cleanliness and won their point.

Your private of the Thirty-Sixth eats well. Average menus—each company has its own. Worked out by the mess sergeant and the captain—run something like this: Breakfast—Scrambled eggs, fried ham, toast, cereal and milky, coffee. Dinner—Cabbage and ham hocks, creamed corn, fried potatoes, sliced tomatoes, pineapple cobbler, coffee, bread and butter. Supper—Rolled roast, brown gravy, snowflake potatoes, spinach, carrot and apple salad, lemon custard, coffee or hot chocolate, bread and butter.

The mess sergeants' allotment for food per man for the first ten days of the camp—after the entire division assemblies next week

will be 43.5 cents per man. Once housekeeping is set up, it will drop, officers said, to around 39 cents and will vary as market prices for food fluctuate. Just like home, some of the boys said.

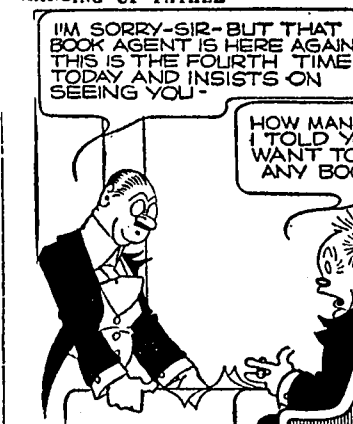
THIS AND THAT

By Gene Carr



"I haven't been here long. Whom do I see about getting a commission?"

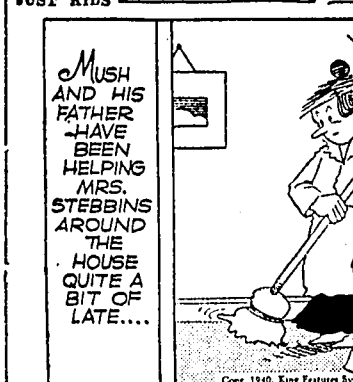
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ILLIE THE TOILER



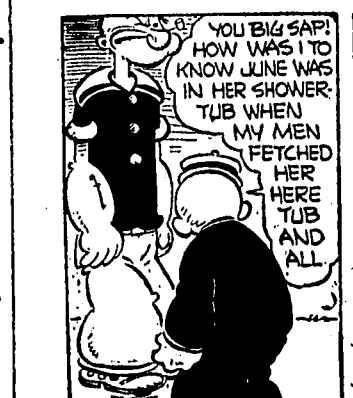
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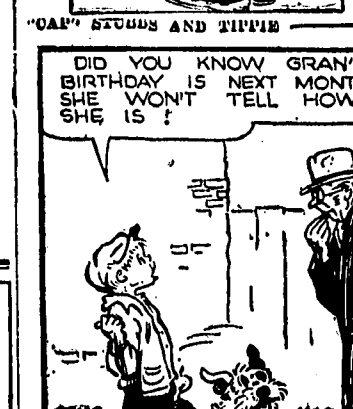
MICKY MOUSE



THIMBLE THEATRE STARRING POPPER



"OAR" STUNDS AND ZIPPIN



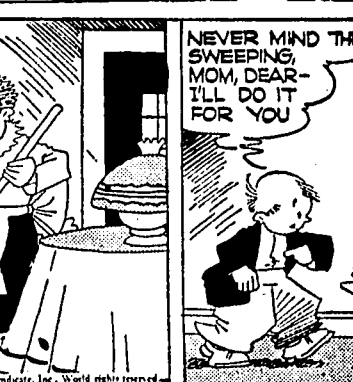
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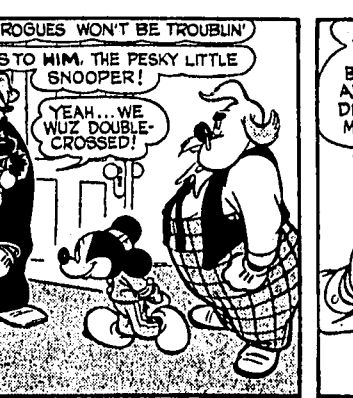
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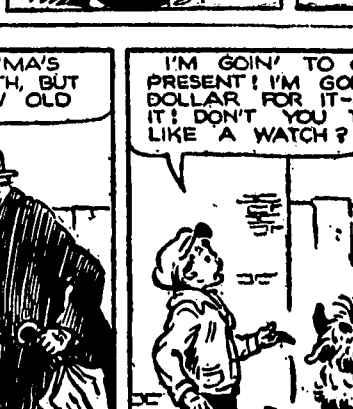
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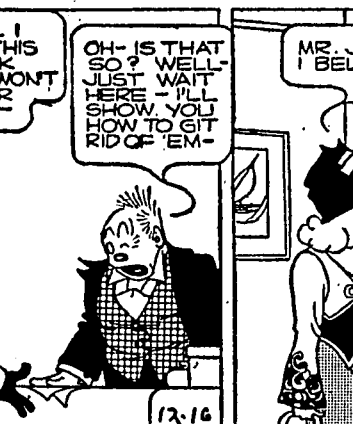
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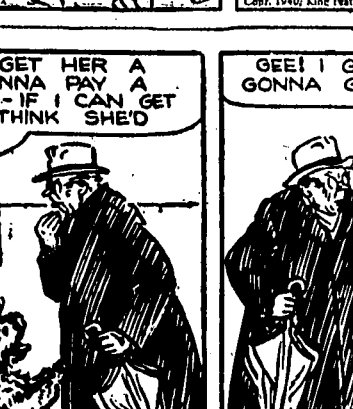
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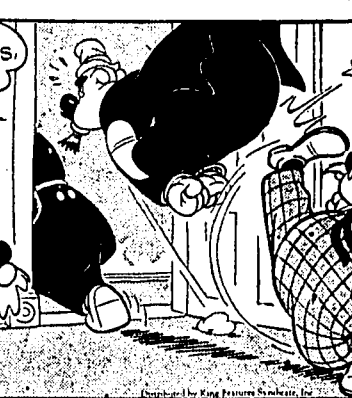
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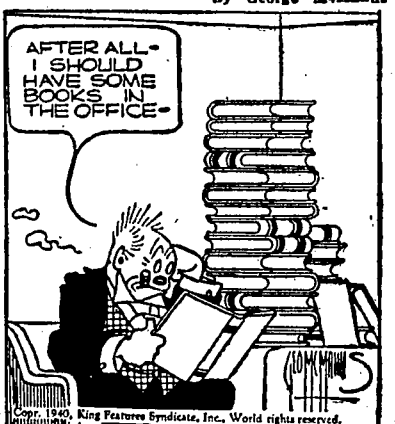
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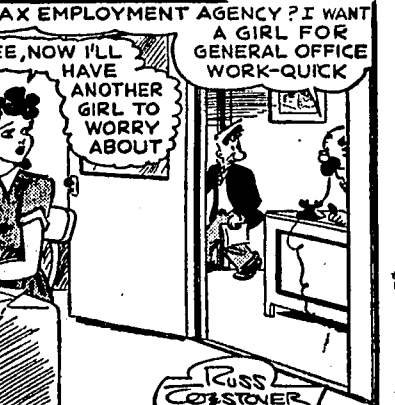
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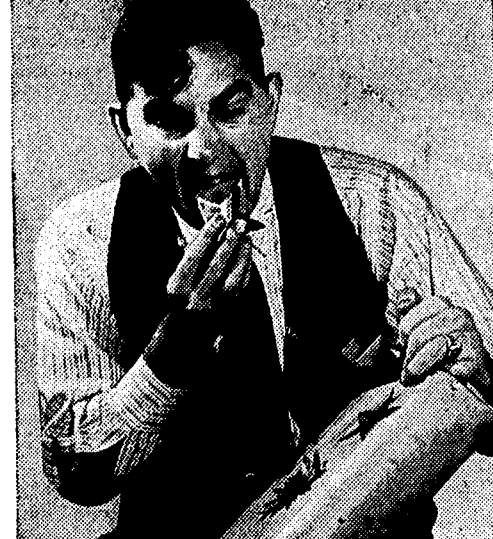
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## MANDAMUS

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for the lumber and other materials delivered to them.  
Campbell said he sent a statement to the county auditor early in February, 1940, and was advised the 1939 budget had been exhausted. Campbell said the auditor advised him the debts were set up in the 1940 budget. The lumber company manager said some two weeks later the county auditor advised him to "let the matter ride" and it would eventually work itself out. After another conference, the auditor said, according to Campbell, just before the election to sue Commissioner C. O. Slaughter and his bondsmen.  
Never Asked for Bids.  
Under cross-examination, Campbell testified he had been selling building materials to precinct 3 for the past ten years and had

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never been asked for bids. He testified he had mailed an invoice of materials sold the county, Oct. 31, 1939, to the county auditor, and on Jan. 30, 1940, sent all bills since July to the county auditor.  
When asked by A. P. Mays if there had been a conspiracy between himself and Commissioner C. O. Slaughter to defraud Navarro County, Campbell answered "No", stating that he sold the materials to the county with the expectation of being paid.  
Continuing Campbell related that the county auditor had told him he (the auditor) was ready to pay him, but the commissioners court would not pay the bill; that the commissioners advised him (Campbell) they (the commissioners) were ready to pay him, but that the county auditor refused. Then Campbell testified he went before the commissioners court to find out what the situation really was and a motion was made to pay the account. County Auditor E. Y. Cunningham was quoted by the witness as then declaring at the commissioners court meeting he would pay the claim only after a mandamus suit.

**Suit Was Filed.**  
The lumber company manager then related he instituted suit in the district court.  
When asked if he knew the commissioners court had passed an order allowing his claim, Campbell testified he had read in the Corsicana Daily Sun where such an order had been passed, but that the county auditor had refused to sign a tendered warrant.  
Under further questioning, Campbell said he had sold materials to Precinct 3 for ten years without bids and he understood each commissioner purchased the materials for his precinct.  
Attorney Jacobs was advised by the witness that Commissioner Slaughter had told him he was out

of money in October and the bill would not be paid until 1940 when the money would be available. He said he did not know Slaughter was out of budget.  
**Court Minutes Read.**  
Derward George, deputy county clerk, read minutes of the Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1940, session of the commissioners court when supplemental budgets were passed to pay debts and obligations in Precincts 1 and 3 because of lawsuits and grave necessity. When asked by Jacobs whether any witnesses were heard as to the "grave necessity," a negative answer was given. Considerable opposition was voiced by Attorney A. P. Mays. Judge Howell from the bench stated it was a serious question whether the district court could review or supersede the discretion of the commissioners court and that the district court was apparently without power to tell the commissioners court what to do as long as it operates within its broad powers and discretion.  
A. P. Mays charged Jacobs has said he would "air out" the commissioners court proceedings, and then declared the commissioners had acted within their rights in supplementing the budget to pay valid and legal debts and to save court costs and attorneys fees against the county.

**Auditor on Stand.**  
E. Y. Cunningham, county auditor testified he had held the office since July, 1937. He outlined the amount of money spent from the road and bridge fund by Precinct 3 from August, 1938, to Dec. 31, 1939, a total of \$37,593.13, with unpaid bills of \$2,963.46. Had the unpaid bills be paid, the budget of more than \$38,000 for the seventeen-month period would have been exceeded, the auditor said.  
Cunningham testified the first demand for payment of the Oil Field Lumber Company claim was

made on him sometime after Jan. 1. He said he advised Campbell that the account was outside the budget and he couldn't pay the bill and that (Cunningham) had not approved it or signed the check. He admitted he had said if the commissioners court could get the claim in legal shape, he would pay it. He admitted he had said that if a suit was filed against Slaughter, his bondsmen, the commissioners court and the county auditor, it might be paid, but denied he had any political intention in his advice to Campbell. He said bids had not been advertised.

**Admitted Just Debt.**  
Under cross-examination by A. P. Mays, Cunningham said the claim of the Oil Field Lumber Company was a just debt. He said it had been the custom of the commissioners court to pay bills less than \$500 without bids being advertised for. Under further questioning, the county auditor said he could not name any instance of fraud and said: "I don't think there is any." He admitted he had earlier in his administration paid old bills similar to the one in question. He said the claim now could be paid and be within the

strict conformity of the 1940 budget as it "now exists" as there is about \$3,000 on deposit.  
The auditor explained the workings of the commissioners court of the old debt of Precinct 3. In 1938-1939, the precinct owed the other precincts about \$12,000 or \$15,000, but this was taken out each year and then that precinct was allowed to continue on the other money. He said the 1940 budget was made in July, 1939, and the Oil Field Lumber Company claim was not included because it had not been made or reported.  
J. N. George of Blooming Grove, county commissioner, testified that in September, 1939, no bids for lumber were submitted by the Oil Field Lumber Company. No questions were asked by Mays and Mays or Pevehouse.  
C. M. Fitzgerald of Rice, county commissioner, said no bids were received up to \$500 expenditures and that was the common procedure until this year when the county auditor Cunningham and County Judge Paul H. Miller made a rule and law themselves denoting \$50 as the limit.  
**County Judge Recalled.**  
County Judge W. D. Ralston was

recalled and said his testimony Saturday morning with reference to a motion to employ Mays and Mays as attorneys for the commissioners court Thursday afternoon was in error. After refreshing his memory of what occurred, the county judge said such a motion was passed, and was not rescinded although considerable discussion and argument ensued at the session of the court.  
Doyle Pevehouse, attorney for the lumber company, testified the county auditor had refused to pay the claim. He outlined the appearing before the commissioners court after the suit had been filed when the court ordered the account paid. He said he had caused the county clerk to issue a voucher for the amount of the bill and the county auditor refused to sign it or audit the account and approve it.

**Slaughter Was Witness.**  
Commissioner Slaughter testified he had been commissioner since Jan. 1, 1937. He said the debt was not set up in the 1937 budget, but all was taken out in 1938, leaving him without cash. The commissioner testified each commissioner makes his own purchases and then the commis-

sioners court as a body ratifies such action. He said each item of the Oil Field Lumber Company account had been checked by him and Navarro County and received the benefit, the materials being used principally on bus routes where school children were being transferred to the larger schools. He said that had the school consolidations not been made, many bridges on the old roads would have lasted for some years, but were not safe for the school buses. The commissioner declared there was "no fraud" connected in the transactions. Slaughter said

other members of the court had agreed to let him run on as in the past in 1939 after he had exhausted his cash but had \$3,500 budget.

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